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TO AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, NP

SUBJECT: GRANT MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO NEPAL

REF: (A) STATE 195671 (B) KATHMANDU 3432

1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DUBS CALLED IN AMBASSADOR KHATRI SEPTEMBER 28 TO INFORM HIM OFFICIALLY THAT THE UNITED STATES IS NOT ABLE TO GIVE NEPAL GRANT MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR NON-LETHAL EQUIPMENT, OR FMS CREDITS. DUBS ASSURED HIM THE NEPALESE REQUEST HAD BEEN REVIEWED AT A HIGH LEVEL AND REITERATED OUR WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER CASH SALES ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. DUBS EXPLAINED THAT U.S. LEGISLATION SEVERELY RESTRICTS OUR LEEWAY IN MILITARY ASSISTANCE MATTERS.

2. KHATRI MADE NO SUBSTANTIVE RESPONSE, BUT AT A RECEPTION LATER IN THE DAY, HE TOLD COUNTRY DIRECTOR KUX THAT HE HAD EXPECTED A NEGATIVE USG RESPONSE ON ARMS AID. HE SAID THAT IF HE HAD BEEN ASKED BY KATHMANDU, HE WOULD HAVE
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ADVISED AGAINST THE GRANT REQUEST. HOWEVER, HE WAS TOLD

TO MAKE THE PITCH AND DID NOT BELIEVE HE COULD DISREGARD
INSTRUCTIONS. KISSINGER

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